WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1   1.   A bottom assembly for a container used in the

2   packaging of a wire coil, said bottom assembly comprising a
                              (60)   (70, 170)
3   bottom heading and an anchoring member mounted to said

4   bottom heading, said anchoring member being inserted through

5   a hole of said bottom heading and having portions disposed

6   at opposite sides of said bottom heading so as to entrap

7   said bottom heading therebetween, said anchoring member
                                                   (76)
8   further having an anchoring portion constructed and disposed

9   to anchor a hold-down system for container-received wire

10   coil.

1   2.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 1, wherein

2   said anchoring member is snap-mounted to said bottom

3   heading.

1   3.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 1, wherein

2   said anchoring member is a unitary molded plastic member.

1   4.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 1, wherein

2   said anchoring member comprises a plug having a generally
                                                           (72, 172)
3   cylindrical body provided with a laterally projecting flange
                                       (74, 174a,b)
4   portion and at least one resilient member, projecting

5   laterally from said body and axially displaced from said

6   flange portion, said plug being mounted to said bottom

7   heading by insertion of said resilient member through said

8   hole, said resilient member being constructed to resiliently

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9   deform inwardly toward said body during insertion through

10 said hole and to return toward an initial configuration

11 after insertion such that said bottom heading is entrapped

12 between said flange portion and resilient member.

1   5.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 4, wherein

2   said plug has a plurality of said resilient members

3   circumferentially spaced from each other.

1   6.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 4, wherein

2   said at least one resilient member has a bevelled

3   circumferential edge.

1   7.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 4, wherein

2   said plug has a laterally projecting resilient member $(11+5)$

3   axially spaced from said at least one resilient member to

4   facilitate mounting of said plug to said bottom heading.

1   8.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 4, wherein

2   said flange portion and said resilient member(s) are

3   disposed substantially at opposite first and second axial

4   ends of said plug body, respectively, and said plug further

5   includes an anchoring portion projecting axially from said

6   second end and having an opening for anchoring said hold-
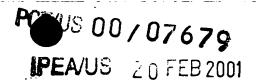
7   down system.

1   9.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 8, wherein

2   said hold-down system includes an elastic loop member

3   secured to said opening of said anchoring portion.

1   10.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 9, wherein

2   said elastic loop member is secured to said opening by a tie

3   passing through said opening and said elastic loop member.

1   11.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 1, wherein

2   said anchoring portion of said anchoring member is formed

3   with an opening for anchoring said hold-down system.

1   12.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 11, wherein

2   said hold-down system includes an elastic loop member

3   secured to said opening of said anchoring portion.

1   13.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 9, wherein

2   said elastic loop member is secured to said opening by a tie

3   passing through said opening and said elastic loop member.

1   14.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 12, wherein

2   said bottom heading is formed of pasteboard.

1   15.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 4, wherein

2   said plug body is at least partially hollowed out.

1   16.   A bottom assembly for a container used in

2   packaging a wire coil, said bottom assembly comprising a

3   bottom heading having a hole, and an anchoring member

4   mounted to said bottom heading and cooperating with said

5   hole such that an anchoring portion of said anchoring member

6   is disposed to anchor a hold-down system for a container-

7   received wire coil.

1   17.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 16, wherein

2   said anchoring member is inserted in said hole and has

3   portions disposed at opposite sides of said bottom heading

4   so as to entrap said bottom heading therebetween.

1   18.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 16, wherein

2   said anchoring portion has an opening for anchoring said

3   hold-down system.

1   19.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 18, wherein

2   said hold-down system includes an elastic loop member

3   secured to said opening of said anchoring portion.

1   20.   A bottom assembly according to Claim 19, wherein

2   said elastic loop is secured to said opening by a member

3   passing through said opening and said elastic loop.

1 SuB A/   21.   A bottom assembly according to any of Claims 16-

2   20, wherein said anchoring member is a unitary molded

3   plastic member.

1   22. A bottom assembly according to any of Claims 1-21,

2 and which is incorporated in a drum.

1   23. A drum assembly, comprising a container drum and a

2 bottom assembly according to any of the preceding claims.

1   24. An anchoring assembly, comprising an anchoring

2 member adapted to be mounted to a container drum bottom

3 heading and an elastic loop member secured to said anchoring

4 member by a tie passing through said elastic loop member.

1   25. An anchoring assembly according to Claim 24,

2 wherein said tie is a cable tie having a ratchet-type

3 closure mechanism.

1   26. A bottom assembly according to Claim 16, wherein

2 said bottom heading is unitary.

       27. A bottom assembly according to Claim 1, wherein

   said bottom heading is unitary.

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